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104th Corps

Survey Corps

Soldiers who are prepared to sacrifice themselves as they brave the Titan territory outside the walls.

The Beast Titan

Squad Captain

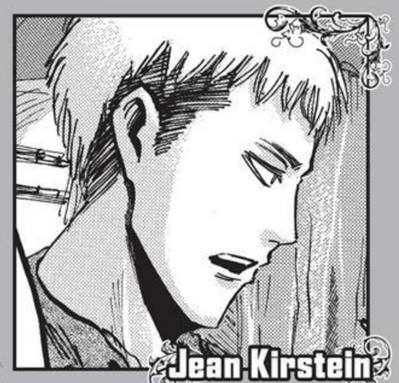
Levi

13th Commander of the Survey Corps

Erwin Smith

Squad Leader

Hange Zoë



Jean Kirstein

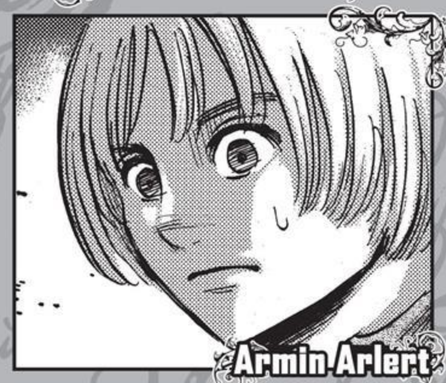
Graduated at the top of her training corps, Mikasa is a highly talented soldier. Her parents were murdered before her eyes when she was a child, but Eren saved her life. Since then, she has made it her mission to protect him.

Mikasa Ackerman

Eren joined the Survey Corps out of his longing for the outside world and his hatred of the Titans. He has the power to turn himself into a Titan, but its origins are unknown.

Eren Yeager

Eren and Mikasa's childhood friend. Though Armin isn't athletic in the least, he possesses both sharp observational powers and keen insight, and he exhibits an extraordinary ability to develop strategies.



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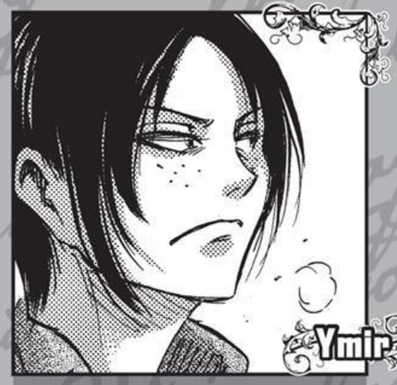

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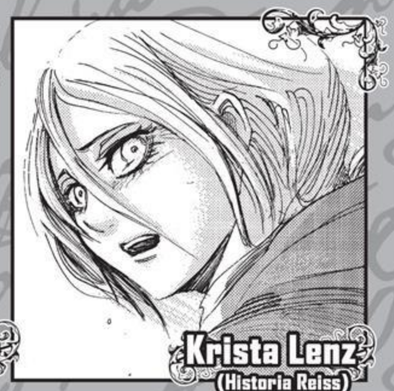
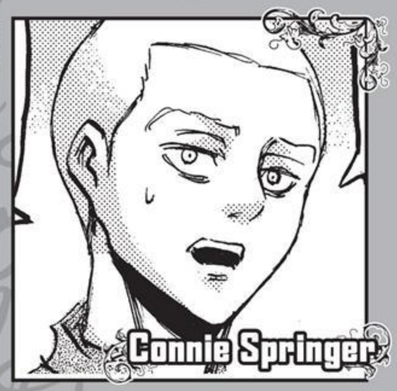


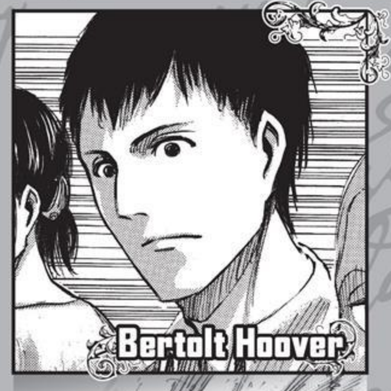
Krista Lenz
(Historia Reiss)



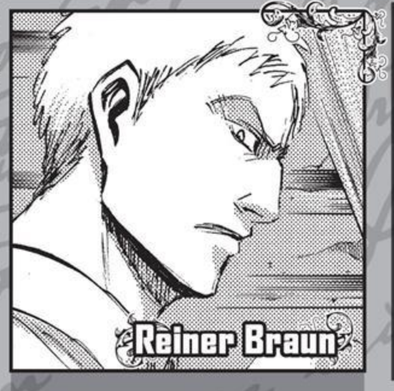
Connie Springer

Marco Bott

Sasha Blouse

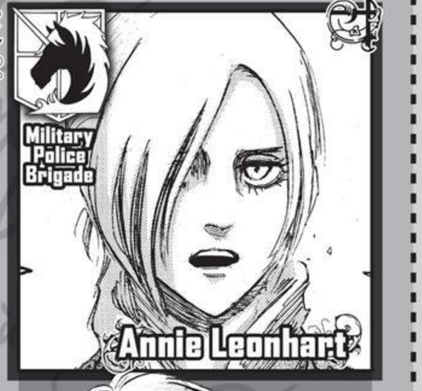


Bertolt Hoover

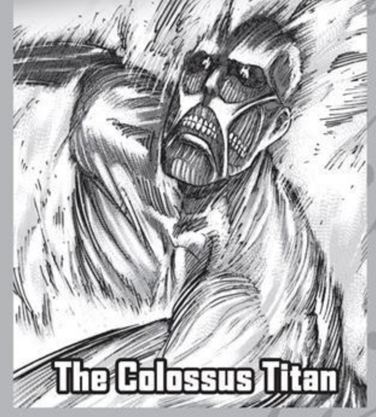


Reiner Braun

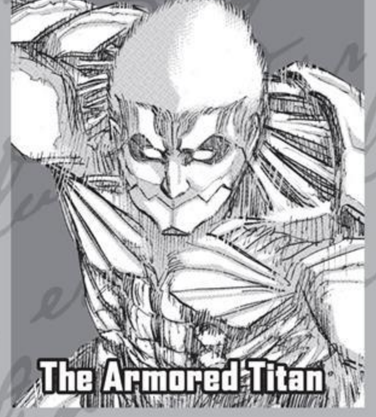
Military Police Brigade



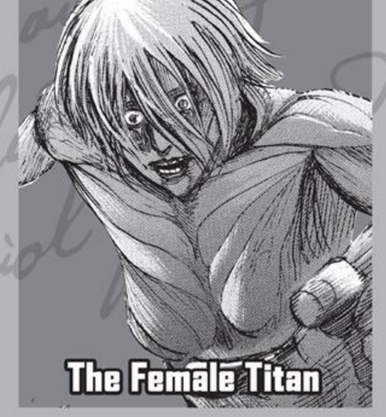
Annie Leonhart



The Colossus Titan



The Armored Titan



The Female Titan

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IT'S BEEN A WHILE SINCE WE'VE SEEN HIM, TOO.

...WAS THE 12TH COMMANDER OF THE SURVEY CORPS, JUST BEFORE ERWIN.

TRAINING CORPS INSTRUC-TOR SHADIS...

YOU DIDN'T KNOW ?

INSTRUCTOR SHADIS.

AK

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THUMP

...YES, I SUPPOSE THE REASON I USED TO SUMMON YOU HERE IN THE PAST WAS TO RAKE YOU OVER THE COALS...

NO! I'M QUITE ALL RIGHT HERE!

YOU'RE NOT GOING TO SIT, BLOUSE?

...BUT YOU'VE ALL CHANGED SO MUCH I BARELY RECOGNIZE YOU.

IT'S ONLY BEEN A FEW MONTHS...

...WAS FIVE YEARS AGO.

AND I GUESS THE LAST TIME **WE** SAW YOU...

...CHANGED A LOT, TOO ...

YOU, UM...

PERHAPS YOU COULD CALL IT THE ONE ACT OF MINE THAT HAD MERIT.

I'D REPLACED MY OWN USELESS SELF WITH SOMEONE TALENTED.

IT WAS THE FIRST TIME A NEW COMMANDER OF THE SURVEY CORPS HAD EVER BEEN NAMED WHILE THE OLD ONE WAS STILL ALIVE.

HAVE YOU FIGURED OUT WHY WE'RE HERE TO SPEAK TO YOU JUST AS WE MAY HAVE FIGURED OUT HOW TO RETAKE WALL MARIA?

COM-MANDER SHADIS... I MEAN, INSTRUC-TOR.

BUT...

...!

...ARE UNMISTAK-ABLY YOUR FATHER'S.

THE FANGS LURKING BENEATH THOSE EYES...

EREN... YOU REMIND ME OF YOUR MOTHER.

...

THUNK

TELL ME, PLEASE!

TELL ME EVERY-THING YOU KNOW!

TO BE BLUNT...

...I DON'T KNOW ANY-THING.

BUT IF YOU'D LIKE TO HEAR A STORY WITH NO BENEFIT WHATSOEVER TO HUMANITY, I'LL TELL YOU.

I WAS JUST A BYSTAND-ER.

BUT HERE'S WHAT I REMEM-BER.

WE MET OUTSIDE THE WALLS.

I MET GRISHA... TWENTY YEARS AGO, NOW?

THEN, JUST OUTSIDE THE SHIGANSHINA GATE IN WALL MARIA...

WE WERE RETURNING FROM AN EXPEDITION, AND I REMEMBER THE TITAN ENCOUNTER RATE WAS MUCH LOWER THAN NORMAL.

HOW DID YOU GET PAST THE WALL?!

HEY, YOU!! WHAT'RE YOU DOING HERE?!

...HE APPEARED.

WH-WHAT ABOUT YOU PEOPLE? WHAT'RE YOU DOING OUTSIDE THE WALLS...?

DON'T TELL ME...

YOU AREN'T FIGHTING, ARE YOU?

UH...

UHH...

...?!

DO YOU... NOT KNOW WHO WE ARE?

SURVEY... CORPS?

CAN'T YOU TELL? WE'RE THE SURVEY CORPS.

RIDE WITH ME FOR NOW.

WE CAN TALK ONCE WE'RE INSIDE THE WALL.

AS FAR AS I KNEW, IT WAS THE FIRST TIME THIS LAW HAD EVER BEEN ENFORCED.

I NEVER KNEW IT WAS A CRIME TO VENTURE INTO TITAN TERRITORY WITHOUT PERMISSION...

DOESN'T THE LAW ALSO SAY YOU GET THROWN IN JAIL IF YOU DRINK WHILE ON DUTY, HANNES?

WELL, WHO OTHER THAN YOU BUNCH WOULD EVER BE STUPID ENOUGH TO WANDER AROUND OUTSIDE THE WALL?

THIS POOR SAP CAN'T REMEMBER ANYTHING ABOUT WHO HE IS OR WHERE HE CAME FROM, AND WHEN HE CAME TO, HE WAS OUTSIDE THE WALL! SC--HRRK! SCARY STUFF, THAT ALCOHOL!

HE'S A PITIFUL VICTIM OF DRINK, TOO!

DON'T BE SO COLD!

DON'T TELL THE BRASS ABOUT THIS, OKAY?

...YEAH.

IT'S NOT LIKE HE HURT ANYONE.

HE COULD BE SOME SUICIDAL DEBTOR WHO THOUGHT HIS FAMILY'S PROBLEMS WOULD DISAPPEAR WITH HIM.

SO YOU DON'T THINK HE'S LYING?

I DON'T THINK ANYTHING! WHAT A PAIN IN MY...

YOU KNOW THAT NAME'S NOT ON THE BIRTH REGISTERS. YOU GONNA KEEP USING IT?

WHERE DO YOU PLAN TO GO NOW, "GRISHA YEAGER"?

SO?

I AM A DOCTOR.

MY NAME ISN'T ALL I REMEMBER.

...HUH.

I CAN BE OF USE THERE.

TAKE ME TO A CLINIC.

WHOOOOOOOOOSH

ALSO... COULD YOU TEACH ME?

ABOUT THIS WORLD...

ALL ABOUT YOU...

ABOUT THE SURVEY CORPS...

HE WAS A STRANGE MAN.

I WASN'T SURE WHETHER IT WAS DRINK THAT HAD DONE IT, BUT IT DID SEEM THAT SOMETHING TRULY HAD IMPAIRED HIS MEMORY.

HE TRULY KNEW NOTHING. ABOUT THE HISTORY AND CREATION OF THESE WALLS, NAMES OF PLACES...EVEN THE CONCEPT OF MONEY.

...I SEE.

WHEN I TOLD HIM THE TRUTH ABOUT HOW THINGS WERE...

AND HE SEEMED PARTICULARLY INTERESTED IN HOW HUMANS LIVED.

AT THE VERY LEAST ...

...IT'S NOT AS IF YOU'RE LIVING IN FEAR OF THE TITANS.

WHILE THERE MAY BE ECONOMIC DISPARITY, THERE'S PEACE INSIDE THESE WALLS...

...

... GOOD.

ALL OF YOU...

I GUESS, AS LONG AS THERE'S FOOD AND BOOZE, YOU'RE HAPPY BEHIND THESE CRAMPED WALLS.

HUH ?

"GOOD"...? THAT'S WHAT THEY ALL THINK.

BUT I'M DIFFERENT.

THAT'S WHY YOU CAN STAY HAPPY.

YOU'VE NEVER THOUGHT ABOUT HOW BIG THE WORLD COULD BE, HAVE YOU?

...

...YES, IT IS.

SOME CITIZENS ARE SKEPTICAL OF THE ROYAL POLICY OF NONINTERVENTION OUTSIDE THE WALLS. YOU COULD SAY THE SURVEY CORPS WAS CREATED TO MOLLIFY THOSE COMPLAINTS.

YOU AND THE REST OF THE SURVEY CORPS?

IS THAT WHY YOU GO BEYOND THE WALLS?

...BUT LOOKING AT IT NOW...

ALL WE'VE DONE IS REMIND PEOPLE OF THEIR FORGOTTEN FEAR OF THE TITANS.

WE'RE JUST...

...EXAMPLES TO SHOW EVERYONE ELSE HOW CORRECT THE KING WAS...

...HAH.

...WHAT DO YOU THINK?

DO WE SEEM IDIOTIC TO YOU?

YOU'RE WISER AND BRAVER THAN ANYONE ELSE INSIDE THE WALLS.

OF COURSE NOT.

YOU'RE THE PRIDE OF HUMANITY.

THE EXISTENCE OF THE SURVEY CORPS IS LIVING PROOF THAT THE HUMAN IMAGINATION AND SOUL ARE FREE.

YES.

PRIDE ...?

US ...?

...

AND YOU, MISTER. YOU SHOULDN'T LET PEOPLE SWEET-TALK YOU LIKE THAT.

ARE YOU TRYIN' TO RECRUIT MY CUSTOMERS AGAIN?

HOLD ON, MISTER KEITH?

THE SURVEY CORPS NEEDS MORE SPECIAL ...

I WOULDN'T BE OF ANY USE TO THEM ANYWAY.

DON'T WORRY.

N-NO, CARLA, I WAS...

OH, DO THEY NOW?

...MORE **CHOSEN** INDIVIDU-ALS...

IT WAS THE FIRST TIME ANYONE HAD EVER CALLED ME THAT.

SPECIAL.

CHOSEN.

YES... THAT WORLD...

I NEVER FELT LIKE THERE WAS A PLACE FOR ME WITHIN THE WALLS.

IT'S TRUE THAT I WAS DIFFERENT FROM THE REST.

...WAS TOO CRAMPED FOR ME.

WHEN WILL THE BASE BEYOND THE WALLS BE FINISHED?

ALL YOU EVER BRING US IS CASUALTIES.

MORE MASSIVE LOSSES?

IF I COULD JUST BECOME COM-MANDER, I'D BE ABLE TO GET RESULTS.

KEEP YAPPING, YOU AVERAGE MEN.

USE YOUR LIFE TO PAY BACK THE DEBTS YOU OWE.

HAHAHA

WHY NOT STOP FEEDING THE TITANS AND START DOING SOME REAL WORK?

THEY'LL ALL SEE WHO I REALLY AM.

ON THAT DAY, NO ONE WILL LAUGH AT ME.

EVERYONE WILL FINALLY UNDERSTAND.

I SWEAR, ONE DAY I'LL ACHIEVE SOMETHING SO GREAT EVEN YOUR FEEBLE BRAINS WILL UNDERSTAND ITS IMPORTANCE.

YOU PATHETIC VERMIN DON'T EVEN REALIZE THAT YOU'RE LIVING IN A RATS' NEST.

GRISHA!!

GRRT

DOC-TOR YEA-GER.

THE BED IN BACK.

...!

ISN'T THERE SOMETHING YOU CAN DO?!

CARLA HAS COME DOWN WITH THE SICKNESS, TOO!

PLEASE...

MY... PARENTS... ARE IN EVEN WORSE SHAPE...

DON'T WORRY!

EVERY-ONE WILL BE FINE!

EXCEL-LENT! SHE SHOULD BE FINE NOW.

DOCTOR YEAGER!! MY WIFE IS UP AND ABOUT AGAIN!

DASH

THANK YOU, DOCTOR YEAGER!

OKAY!

PLEASE, DISTRIBUTE THIS MEDICINE IMMEDI-ATELY!

I FOUND A CURE, KEITH!

RETREEEAT!!

IT GOT THE COMMAND-ER!!

WE'RE COUNT-ING ON YOU.

YOU'RE THE NEW COMMAND-ER, KEITH.

CON-GRATULA-TIONS, DOCTOR YEAGER!

WHEN'D YOU TWO MEET?

I WAS WONDER-ING, DOCTOR.

KEITH TOOK ME TO HER PLACE.

I THINK THE FIRST TIME WAS...

RIGHT, KEITH?

IF ONLY WE HAD MORE MAN-POWER...

POWER...

COM-MAND-ER!!

IT'S HOPELESS HERE. WE NEED TO RETREAT!!

DAMN IT!! THE BASE...

RIGHT. WE'LL EXPAND THE RANGE OF OUR ACTIVITIES BY **AVOIDING** BATTLES WITH TITANS.

WE WOULDN'T FIGHT...?

TRY IT WHEN **YOU'RE** COMMAND-ER.

NO.

PLEASE, USE IT IN OUR NEXT EXPEDITION OUTSIDE—

I CALL IT THE LONG-DISTANCE ENEMY SCOUTING FORMA-TION.

THEY SAY ALL COMMANDER SHADIS IS GOOD AT IS HEAD-ON CHARGES.

YET HE'S THE ONLY ONE WHO KEEPS SURVIVING HIS EXPEDITIONS. MAKES HIM LOOK AWFUL, DOESN'T IT?

WHY DOES THE SAME THING KEEP ON HAPPENING ...?

HUH... HOPE WE SWITCH COMMANDERS AGAIN SOON.

HEY... HE CAN HEAR YOU.

MEANWHILE, ERWIN'S SQUAD HASN'T LOST A SINGLE MEMBER.

MISTER KEITH?

...NO.

I WAS BUSY ...

...I'M SORRY.

CARLA ...THIS CHILD ...

HE'S EREN... MY SON.

THE NEWS MUST NOT HAVE REACHED YOU, AFTER ALL.

...

MY HUSBAND WAS WORRIED, TOO.

YES.

...MISTER KEITH.

WILL ...

WILL YOU KEEP DOING THIS UNTIL YOU DIE?

DO YOU KNOW WHY AVERAGE MEN CAN LIVE OUT THEIR LIVES AND DIE WITHOUT ACCOMPLISHING ANYTHING?

FIRST OFF, BECAUSE THEY LACK IMAGINATION. THEY NEVER FIND ANYTHING MORE VALUABLE THAN THEIR OWN LIVES. SO THEY LIVE AND DIE, SHAMELESSLY CREATING NOTHING BUT SHIT.

GREAT DEEDS ...

...CAN NEVER BE ACCOMPLISHED BY THOSE ON THE LEVEL OF ORDINARY MEN.

IN FACT, I DOUBT THOSE SCRAPS OF FLESH WOULD UNDERSTAND WHAT MAKES A DEED GREAT.

CERTAINLY A WORTHLESS INDIVIDUAL WHO SPENDS HER LIFE POURING DRINKS AND COZYING UP TO EVERY MAN SHE SEES WOULD NEVER UNDER-STAND!

NOT EVER.

THAT'S RIGHT.

AVERAGE MEN AREN'T ABLE TO ACCOMPLISH ANYTHING.

ERWIN... WOULD YOU TAKE OVER AS COMMAND-ER?

...I WASN'T ONE OF THEM.

IT'S JUST THAT...

SPECIAL PEOPLE DO EXIST.

I'LL HEAD STRAIGHT TO THE ROYAL CAPITAL TO GIVE MY REPORT.

BUT I HAD TO LEAD SO MANY OF MY COMRADES TO THEIR DEATHS BEFORE I WAS ABLE TO FIGURE THAT OUT.

HOW COULD I HAVE DONE THIS?

THIS WILL BE MY FINAL MISSION.

TITANS ARE CLOSING IN! WALL ROSE IS SUR-ROUNDED !!

WALL MARIA HAS FALLEN !!

KEITH!!

WHAT CAUSED ME TO OVERESTIMATE MYSELF SO BADLY?

ALL I COULD EVER DO WAS GET SWEPT ALONG WITH THE CROWD.

NOW I REMEMBER.

OH...

IT WAS YOU.

MORE IMPORTANTLY, IF WE CAN'T DEFEND TROST DISTRICT, WE REALLY WILL ALL BE EATEN!

THEY'RE SAYING SHIGANSHINA DISTRICT HAS ALREADY BEEN DESTROYED!

RATTLE

LET'S SPLIT UP AND SEARCH !!

THE SHELTER!! I'M SURE THAT'S WHERE MY FAMILY IS!!

I HAVE TO APOLOGIZE FOR HOW RUDE I WAS ...

WHERE ...

CARLA ...

WHERE ARE YOU?

WAKE UP, EREN.

MMH...

STAD STAD ｯ,, ｯ,,

DAD...

THE TITAN ...

MOM ...

IT ATE HER...

THUNK

EREN...

YOU MUST... AVENGE YOUR MOTHER ...

YOU CAN DO IT.

WHERE ARE YOU GOING?

...

LET'S GO.

HEY...

WAIT, GRISHA.

THE FOR-EST.

DON'T FOLLOW US.

WAIT ...

YOU'RE GOING TO MAKE THAT CHILD DO IT FOR YOU?

... YOUR-SELF?

WHY DON'T YOU AVENGE CARLA...

NOT LIKE ME.

AFTER ALL, YOU'RE SPECIAL.

ARE YOU GOING TO CURSE YET ANOTHER PERSON?

ARE...

WHAT IF HE'S NOT ONE OF THE **CHOSEN** ?

ISN'T THAT CHILD DIFFERENT, TOO?

WHAT IF HE DOESN'T TURN OUT TO BE THE PERSON YOU EXPECT HIM TO BE?

WHAT ARE YOU GOING TO DO?

PLEASE, I BEG YOU...

DON'T GET INVOLVED.

HE'S **MY SON.**

THIS CHILD ISN'T LIKE YOU.

ZAKK

ZAKK

ZAKK

BOOO

SO I PUT YOU BACK IN BED.

THAT'S ALL I KNOW.

IS... THAT ALL?

NOTHING ELSE...?

...NOW I UNDERSTAND WHY AN OFFICER WITH AS MUCH EXPERIENCE AS YOU RETIRED TO THIS TRAINING CAMP.

...

YOU CARE ABOUT WHETHER OR NOT YOU'RE SPECIAL...? WHAT?

...IT WAS OUT OF FEELINGS OF OBLIGATION AND INFERIORITY TO OTHERS.

...NO.

AS PENANCE FOR ALL MY SUBORDI-NATES WHO DIED FOR NOTHING.

...STOP, HANGE.

IT'S NOT UP TO YOU TO DECIDE WHETHER OR NOT THIS INFORMATION IS HELPFUL TO US.

DON'T BRING YOUR INFERIORITY COMPLEX INTO THIS.

YOU'RE HERE BECAUSE YOU'VE RUN AWAY FROM REALITY FOR A CHILDISH REASON.

PLEASE, STOP.

BOOM

ISN'T THAT WHAT IT MEANS TO CAST AWAY YOUR OWN LIFE AND DEDICATE YOUR HEART TO THE GREATER GOOD?!

THUNK

IT'S JUST...THAT I WAS THE SON OF A SPECIAL MAN.

THE INSTRUCTOR WAS RIGHT. ...I WASN'T SPECIAL AT ALL.

I'M GLAD I CAN BE SURE OF THAT NOW...

IN THE END, THAT WAS THE ONLY REASON I WAS GIVEN THE POWER OF THE TITANS.

YOUR MOTHER ...

...CARLA SAID THIS.

"DO YOU REALLY HAVE TO BE SPECIAL?"

"DO YOU REALLY NEED PEOPLE'S RECOGNI-TION?"

"I DON'T THINK SO."

"AT THE VERY LEAST, NOT WHEN IT COMES TO THIS CHILD..."

"WHY WOULD HE HAVE TO BE BETTER THAN EVERYONE ELSE...?"

"HE DOESN'T NEED TO BECOME GREAT."

"JUST LOOK AT HIM..."

"DON'T YOU SEE HOW CUTE HE IS?"

"HE'S **ALREADY** GREAT."

"BECAUSE HE WAS BORN...

...INTO THIS WORLD."

THREE YEARS EARLIER

AND I'M SURE THAT FIRE WILL BURN HIM TO ASHES OUTSIDE THE WALLS.

HIS LIFE IS LIKE A BLAZING FIRE.

THOSE EYES--

IT'S JUST LIKE HIS FATHER WANTED.

HE'LL NEVER KNOW WHAT HIS MOTHER WANTED FOR HIM.

LIVE YOUR LIFE AS WHO YOU TRULY ARE.

THIS PLACE IS NOT FOR YOU.

BUT IN THE END...

...THAN A BYSTANDER, AFTER ALL.

...I WAS NOTHING MORE...

I'VE ALWAYS BEEN POWERLESS TO CHANGE ANYTHING.

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TROST DIS-TRICT

...EREN'S FATHER, GRISHA YEAGER...

IN OTHER WORDS ...

...FROM OUTSIDE THE WALLS.

...VERY WELL MAY BE A HUMAN...

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YES... AND HE HAD THE POWER OF THE TITANS, JUST LIKE ANNIE, REINER, AND BERTOLT.

BUT UNLIKE THOSE THREE...

...HE WANTED TO HELP THOSE INSIDE THE WALLS.

IF HE WAS SO INTERESTED IN THE SURVEY CORPS, IT WOULD'VE BEEN NICE IF HE'D HELPED US OUT A BIT MORE.

I'M NOT SURE ...

CONSIDERING EVERYTHING ELSE HE KNEW, IT'S POSSIBLE DR. YEAGER EVEN KNEW THE TRUTH ABOUT THE IDEOLOGY PASSED DOWN IN THE REISS FAMILY.

PERHAPS HE CHOSE NOT TO SHARE THAT TO KEEP THE ROYAL GOVERNMENT FROM FINDING OUT ABOUT HIM.

BUT THE MOMENT THAT WALL MARIA WAS BREACHED ...

...HE WENT STRAIGHT TO THE REISS FAMILY, THE TRUE LEADERS OF THE ROYAL GOVERNMENT...

...AND COMMITTED THAT ACT OF MADNESS.

IN ANY CASE, HE WOULD HAVE NEEDED AN INCREDIBLE AMOUNT OF RESOLVE TO DO WHAT HE DID.

AFTER GETTING BEHIND THE WALLS, HE WAS PROBABLY INVESTI-GATING THE ROYAL GOVERNMENT.

...THE ROOM IN THE BASEMENT OF THEIR HOUSE.

A ROOM THAT, WITH HIS DYING BREATH, HE SAID HELD EVERY-THING...

AND IT WAS THIS MAN WHO WANTED TO SHOW HIS TEN-YEAR-OLD SON, WHO HOPED TO JOIN THE SURVEY CORPS...

WHAT DO YOU THINK COULD BE IN THERE?

...

...
NO.

SOME-
THING
THAT HE
WAS
FORBID-
DEN TO
SAY...

THAT'S
WHAT
I'D
LIKE TO
THINK...

IN OTHER
WORDS, THE
MEMORIES OF THE
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FIRST KING REISS
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FROM OUR
MINDS.

SOMETHING
THAT HE
COULDN'T
SAY, EVEN IF
HE'D WANTED
TO.

...BUT
SITTING HERE,
SPECULATING,
THERE'S NO
WAY FOR US
TO KNOW.

AS OF TODAY, WE ARE READY.

THE OPERATION TO RETAKE WALL MARIA...

...WILL TAKE PLACE **TWO DAYS** FROM NOW.

SO WE WANT TO KNOW WHAT'S IN THAT BASEMENT?

WELL, LET'S GO SEE.

ISN'T THAT THE SURVEY CORPS WAY?

YEAH... WE'VE GOT TO SHOW THOSE KIDS FROM TIME TO TIME THAT THEY CAN DEPEND ON US.

COULD WE AT LEAST HAVE SOME RED MEAT TODAY, THOUGH?

IN SECRET, OF COURSE.

I'LL LEAVE THE TEAMS TO ALL OF YOU.

SHUT YOUR STUPID MOUTH.

I'M SURPRISED, HANGE... YOU USED TO HAVE SUCH A CRUSH ON HIM.

HE'S NOT WORTH WHAT LITTLE TIME WE HAVE.

LEAVE HIM BE.

WHAT ABOUT COMMANDER SHADIS? HE WITHHELD VITAL INFOR-MATION.

BAM

THUNK

HM?

THIS MAY SOUND IMPA-TIENT...

WHAT IS IT, LEVI?

AFTER THAT ...?

I ASSUME THAT COMING UP WITH A DEFENSE PLAN WILL BE FIRST, BUT...

...BUT WHAT ARE WE GOING TO DO AFTER RETAKING WALL MARIA?

THERE SEEMS TO BE SOMEONE OUT ON THE OTHER SIDE OF THE WALLS WHO'S DETERMINED TO SEE US EATEN BY TITANS.

ELIMI-NATING THREATS.

...LET'S THINK ABOUT THAT AFTER WE GET TO THAT BASEMENT.

SO, AS I SAID BEFORE...

...SEEMS TO BE IN THAT BASEMENT.

AND OUR BEST SHOT OF FINDING OUT WHO...

AS YOU ARE, YOU'RE TITAN FOOD.

YOU CAN'T MOVE LIKE YOU USED TO BE ABLE TO...

...YOU REALIZE I'M ASKING YOU BECAUSE I DON'T KNOW WHETHER YOU'LL LIVE THAT LONG, RIGHT?

I'LL TELL THEM THAT I COMPLAINED UNTIL YOU GAVE IN... IN FACT, THAT'S WHAT I PLAN TO DO.

I'M NOT CARRYING ANY EXTRA BAGGAGE. YOU STAY HERE AND WAIT FOR THE GOOD NEWS.

LET HANGE LEAD THE TROOPS ON THE GROUND.

ALL RIGHT?

NO.

I DON'T CARE. USE ME AS BAIT.

THE CHAIN OF COMMAND WILL REMAIN. IF I CAN'T LEAD, HANGE WILL. IF HANGE CAN'T, THE NEXT IN LINE WILL.

I ADMIT THIS OPERATION WILL BE DIFFICULT, BUT IT WILL ALSO BE THE MOST IMPORTANT IN HUMAN HISTORY. I'VE PUT EVERYTHING I HAVE INTO IT.

THIS IS MY PLAN.

AND IF YOU BITE THE DUST WHILE WE'RE AT IT, WE'RE DONE FOR.

YOU'RE RIGHT. THE OPERATION MIGHT FAIL.

WITHOUT ME, IT'S LESS LIKELY TO SUCCEED.

...TO TRIP UP THE TITANS AND HELP HUMANITY.

THAT'LL DO MORE THAN ANYTHING ELSE...

YOU JUST NEED TO SIT AND USE YOUR HEAD. THAT'S ENOUGH.

...I'LL BREAK BOTH YOUR LEGS.

STOP. STOP. IF YOU GIVE ME ONE MORE NOBLE-SOUNDING EXCUSE...

HOLD ON, HOLD ON, HOLD ON.

I CAN DO THE MOST GOOD BY STAKING EVERYTHING ON THIS OPERATION AND—

NO, THAT'S NOT TRUE ...

I'LL MAKE THEM EASY TO PUT BACK TOGETHER LATER...

...BUT BREAK THEM BAD ENOUGH TO MAKE SURE YOU STAY BEHIND.

OF COURSE, IT'LL HURT TO GO TO THE BATHROOM FOR A WHILE...

HA HA ...

THAT JUST WOULDN'T DO...

OF COURSE, YOU'RE RIGHT... IT'S BETTER FOR A WOUNDED SOLDIER TO STAY OFF THE FRONT LINES.

BUT YOU SEE ...

...AT THE MOMENT WE LEARN THE TRUTH ABOUT THIS WORLD.

I HAVE TO BE THERE...

YES.

MORE THAN HUMANITY'S VICTORY?

MORE THAN YOUR LEGS?

YES.

SST

IT'S... THAT IMPORTANT TO YOU?

GA-
CHIK

ERWIN...

I'LL TRUST YOUR JUDGMENT.

...

FINE.

KA-SLAM

YOU'RE SOLDIERS. THIS ISN'T A PARTY, IT'S A CHANCE TO RECHARGE.

TONIGHT MAY BE A SPECIAL NIGHT, BUT YOU CAN'T LET THE CIVILIANS KNOW THAT.

AH CAIN'T BE-LIEVE IT...

IS THIS... MEAT ?

MEAT ...?

WHAT ?

HUH ...?

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REAAAGH

HUH ?!

HEY ...

CHEERS !!

HERE'S TO RECAPTUR-ING WALL MARIA.

WHAT?!

YOU SUCK WITH A SWORD! YOU'LL BE USELESS OUT THERE! GIMME YOURS!

NO WAY !!

THAT'S A BIG PIECE! IT COUNTS AS TWO!

CALM DOWN. WE NEED TO SPLIT IT EVENLY!!

HAVE YOU GONE TOTALLY CRAZY ?!

NNNH

NNNH

WHAT THE HELL DO YOU THINK YOU'RE DOING, POTATO GIRL?!?!

GRAB

NO ONE COULD EAT THIS MUCH MEAT!

SQUEEZE

PLEASE, SASHA, STOP...

NNNH

NNNH

SASHA! THAT PIECE OF MEAT IS JEAN!! CAN'T YOU TELL THE DIFFER-ENCE?!

CHOMP

AAAGH! THAT'S ME! YOU'RE EATING ME NOW!

I... I DON'T WANT TO HAVE TO KILL YOU...

OOPS.

BA-KRAK

HOW SAD.

MUNCH

SO YOU DIDN'T EVEN HAVE MEAT IN THE SURVEY CORPS...?

MUNCH

I'M TRYING! SHE'S UNCON-SCIOUS, BUT... SHE'S STILL MOVING!!

CONNIE, JUST DROP HER ALREADY.

THUD

SPLOOSH

I'M SORRY... I SHOULDN'T HAVE SPENT TWO MONTHS' WORTH OF OUR FOOD BUDGET ON TONIGHT.

MUNCH

WHOSE BRIGHT IDEA WAS IT TO GIVE THEM MEAT AGAIN?

HEY... LOOKS LIKE WE HAVE CASUAL-TIES.

HUH? WHEN WAS THIS ?

HARD TO BELIEVE SHE WAS GOING TO SPLIT THAT MEAT WITH US...

SHE FINALLY TIRED HERSELF OUT...

SHE SEEMS OKAY NOW.

THREE MONTHS AGO... WHEN WE WERE SERVICING THE CANNONS.

I BORROWED A LITTLE MEAT FROM THE SENIOR OFFICERS' PRIVATE STOCK.

DON'T WORRY. ONCE WE RECAPTURE OUR TERRITORY...

...WE'LL BE ABLE TO KEEP MORE SHEEP AND COWS AGAIN.

IT'LL BE LIKE A CELEBRATION IN ANTICIPATION OF REGAINING WALL MARIA.

ONCE WE EAT IT, ALL THAT'S LEFT IS PREPARING OURSELVES FOR THE WORST!!

I'LL EAT THAT MEAT, TOO!!

I-I'LL HAVE IT, TOO! SO SAVE SOME FOR ME ...!!

HE DISAP-PEARED...

I FELT VERY SORRY FOR YOU.

...THREE MONTHS SINCE THEN.

SO IT'S ONLY BEEN...

ONLY THREE MONTHS.

!

BAM

HEY.

HOW'S THAT FOR CLIMBING THE LADDER?

AND IN ONLY THREE MONTHS, WE MADE IT INTO SQUAD LEVI.

LET'S EAT! IT'S GONNA GET COLD.

OF COURSE !

IT'S 'CAUSE YOU'RE A GENIUS!

AH!

MMF ...?!

MMF ?!

ARE YOU TRYING TO LECTURE A VETERAN ABOUT SELF-SACRIFICE, TOUGH GUY?

YES, I'M LESS SKILLED... BUT DOESN'T THAT MAKE ME PERFECT TO SCOUT THE ENEMY ON THE FRONT LINE?

LIKE I SAID, YOU'RE A ROOKIE. YOU SHOULD BE IN THE REAR GUARD.

SO YOUR TEAM'S JOB IS TO WATCH AND LEARN FROM THE REAR, AND TO MAKE IT BACK ALIVE.

NNGH...

HOW ARE WE SUPPOSED TO TRAIN THEM IF THE FIRST THING WE DO IS USE THEM AS CANNON FODDER?

LISTEN... WE ALL START OUT AS RECRUITS.

BUT HOW COULD WE FUNCTION AS A UNIT WITHOUT THAT MENTALI-TY?

...AND WHO DO YOU MEAN BY THAT, JEAN?

HMM ?

IT'S OK. THE REALLY USELESS ONES ARE THE SUICIDAL BLOCKHEADS WHO CHARGE STRAIGHT INTO THE ENEMY!

ZZT

WHO ELSE COULD IT BE ?

I ONLY SEE ONE SUICIDAL BLOCK-HEAD HERE.

...THAT MAKES YOU A REAL COWARD, JEAN.

SO IF YOU SEE ME THAT WAY...

WELL, I FOUND OUT THE OTHER DAY THAT I'M ACTUALLY A PRETTY NORMAL PERSON...

WELL, WHAT'S WITH YOUR LONG HAIR, YOU DELUDED BASTARD?!

THUNK THUNK

YOU THINK YOU'RE SO COOL, YOU BRAYING JACKASS ?!

HM? WHAT'S GOING ON?

WHAT'RE THEY DOING?

THUD BAM

YOU'RE GONNA RIP MY SHIRT!

YOU ...!

THUD JOSTLE

JUST NOT THE FACE, OKAY?

URK

WH-HUMP

BASTARD!!

HAAH !!

DGHH

WHUMP

HUH ?

PANT

PANT

PANT

...I'M BEING HONEST HERE ...

やはははは

THUD

THUD

SHOW US WHAT YA GOT!

STOP HOLD-ING BACK!

YOU TWO SUCK !

PANT

HOW MANY TIMES WOULD YOU HAVE DIED IF YOU DIDN'T HAVE THOSE TITAN POWERS...?

AND HOW MANY TIMES ...

PANT

DIDN'T I TELL THEM TO STAY CALM?

WHOA, A FIGHT.

THUD

HFF

おおおおい HEEEY

I'M GONNA KILL YOU !!

IF YOU KEEP ACTING SUI-CIDAL-

...WOULD MIKASA HAVE HAD TO SAVE YOU...?!

THUNP

HRRK

おおおおい HEEEY

I'LL MAKE SURE TO-

KEEP THAT IN MIND !!

WSSHT

KA-THWAK

FORGET ABOUT THAT !!

JEANNIE!!

BOOM

BE NICER TO YOUR MOM!

AND YOU!

...
IT'S FINE.

THUD
THUD
...
NO.
DON'T WE NEED TO STOP THEM?

HEY.
HOW LONG IS THIS GOING TO GO? ...OH GOD, I'M GONNA PUKE UP THAT MEAT.
GLANCE
GLANCE
PANT
PANT
PANT
STUMBLE
STUMBLE
WHY... WHY ISN'T ANYONE TRYING TO STOP US...?

BOOM
BOOM

GO TO BED.

BLURGH

...YES, SIR!

...AND CLEAN THAT UP.

...ALL OF YOU. YOU'RE BEING TOO ROWDY.

MMH!

MMH!

MMH!

KLONK

KLONK

OWW...

I CAN'T BE-LIEVE YOU...

YOU'RE THE ONE WHO STARTED IT.

WHY? I HUNG BACK BECAUSE I KNEW YOU'D HEAL RIGHT AWAY ANYWAY.

I OUGHT TO TAKE BETTER CARE OF MY OWN BODY.

IT'S WEIRD TO SAY THIS ABOUT MYSELF, BUT...

HEY ...

YOU'VE GOT YOUR ENERGY BACK.

WHETHER I'M ENERGETIC OR NOT...

I PLAN ON DOING WHAT NEEDS TO BE DONE.

I'M GLAD WE WENT TO SEE THE INSTRUC-TOR.

I WAS SO CAUGHT UP IN POINTLESS WORRYING.

I FEEL BET-TER.

BUT... YEAH.

I FELT USELESS BECAUSE I COULDN'T BE LIKE YOU OR CAPTAIN LEVI.

I WAS JEAL-OUS.

LIKE WHY I WASN'T STRONG LIKE YOU, MIKASA.

GREAT POWER COMES FROM...

...JOINING OURSELVES TOGETHER.

...WHICH IS WHY WE ALL NEED TO FIND OUR OWN ROLES.

BUT NEITHER YOU NOR THE CAPTAIN CAN FIGHT BY YOUR-SELVES...

...BECAUSE OF TIMES LIKE THIS.

I GUESS HUMANS ARE SO DIFFERENT FROM EACH OTHER...

YEAH ...

THAT MAKES SENSE.

ZAKK

ZAKK

...CAN WE GO BACK ?

...AND DEFEAT ALL OUR ENEMIES...

WHEN WE RETAKE WALL MARIA...

BACK TO THOSE DAYS ...?

WE'LL BRING THEM BACK.

...AND THEY'LL HAVE TO PAY FOR THAT.

STILL... SOME THINGS ARE GONE FOREVER ...

...

...YEAH.

THAT'S NOT ALL...

THE SEA.

REMEMBER? A GIANT LAKE FILLED WITH SO MUCH SALTWATER THE MERCHANTS COULD NEVER COLLECT IT ALL.

THE TITANS AREN'T THE ONLY THINGS OUTSIDE THE WALLS.

BURNING WATER.

LAND MADE OF ICE.

SNOWY PLAINS OF SAND.

I KNOW...

...YOU DID.

Y-YEAH...

I JOINED THE SURVEY CORPS SO I COULD SEE ALL OF THAT.

SO LET'S START BY GOING TO THE SEA!

SALTWATER THAT STRETCHES ALL THE WAY TO THE HORIZON!

THERE ARE EVEN SPECIES OF FISH THAT YOU CAN ONLY FIND THERE!

OH, FINE.

I SWEAR IT'S THERE! YOU JUST WAIT!

YOU STILL DON'T BELIEVE ME, DO YOU?!

...WHAT ARE YOU TWO GOING ON ABOUT NOW?

NO TAK-ING IT BACK!

THAT'S A PROM-ISE, OKAY?!

THEN I GUESS I'LL JUST HAVE TO SEE IT FOR MYSELF.

JUST BEFORE SUN-SET...

IT'S TIME.

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BATTLE RATTLE

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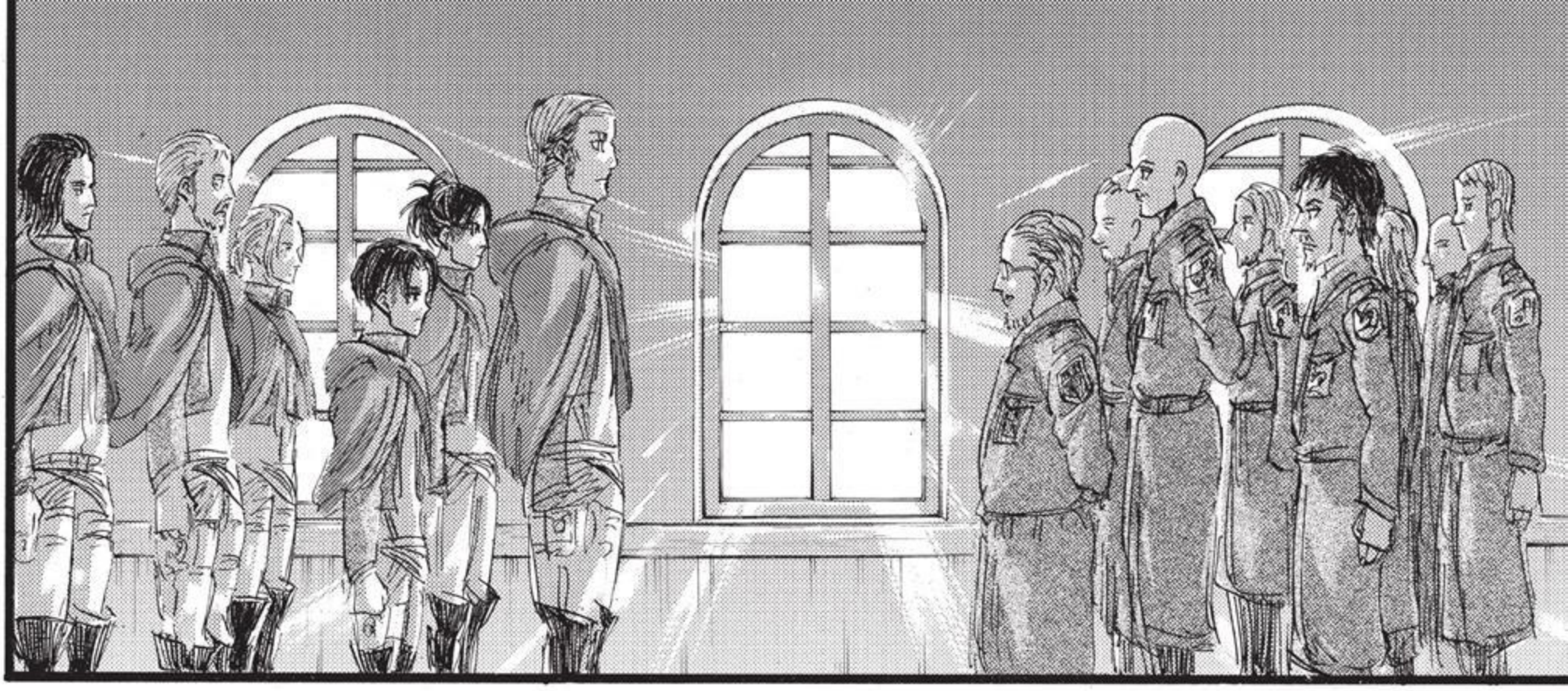
BOOOOOM!!

WHOOOOOOOSH



HM?

KREAK KREAK KREAK KREAK

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FLEGEL...?

HANGE!!

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THE FUTURE OF MANKIND IS IN YOUR HAAAANDS!!

TAKE BACK WALL MARIAAA !!

CAP-TAIN LEVI !!

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YEAAAAAAAAH

BUT GET US OUR LAND BACK, TOO!!

PLEASE, ALL OF YOU COME BACK SAFELY !!

THANK YOU FOR SAVING THIS TOWN !!

WELL, THEY BLEW IT.

SOMEONE WAS BOUND TO FIGURE IT OUT AFTER ALL THAT NOISE.

UH, ACTUALLY... I ORDERED THE MEAT FROM REEVES COMPA-NY...

DAMN IT, FLE-GEL ...

うおおおおおおお YEAAAAAH

YOU CAN COUNT ON UUUUSUSS!!

IT'S A FIRST.

AS FAR AS I KNOW ...

WHO KNOWS ...

HAS IT EVER?

HOW LONG HAS IT BEEN SINCE THE SURVEY CORPS HAD A SENDOFF LIKE THIS?

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...TO RETAKE WALL MARIA !!

COM-MENCE THE FINAL OPERA-TION...

KAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAA

GRRRRRRRRRRRRRRRRRR

CL-CLOP

CL-CLOP

CL-CLOP

C-CLOP

C-CLOP

C-CLOP

C-CLOP

ADVAAAAANCE!

CL-CLOP

CL-CLOP

CL-CLOP

CL-CLOP

WHOOOOOOOOSH

ATTACK
ON TITAN

Episode 73: The Town Where Everything Began

WHEN THE TERRITORY WAS LOST FIVE YEARS AGO, THE LOSS OF HUMAN LIFE AND PROPERTY WAS MASSIVE.

THE AREA WITHIN WALL MARIA REPRESENTED ONE THIRD OF THE LAND HUMANITY HAD LEFT.

IT SEEMED WRONG FOR US TO CONTINUE LIVING.

...THOSE LOSSES WERE ONLY THE BEGINNING.

AND, AS THOSE WHO REMAINED INSIDE THE TWO WALLS QUICKLY REAL-IZED...

...WAS OUT OF HUMAN HANDS.

WHETHER HUMANITY COULD SURVIVE ANOTHER DAY...

EVERY-THING WAS NOW UP TO THE TITANS.

...HAD NO WAY OF DEFEATING THEM.

BE-CAUSE HUMANI-TY...

I'M GONNA ...

... DESTROY THEM!!

EVERY LAST ONE...

...OF THOSE ANI-MALS ...

...THAT'S ON THIS EARTH!!

BUT, THAT DAY, ONE BOY...

...GRIPPED THE DAGGER IN HIS HEART...

...STOMPING ITS MASSIVE HEAD INTO THE GROUND.

...AND USED IT TO KILL A TITAN...

HOW DID THE HUMANS WHO SAW THAT SIGHT FEEL?

SOME WERE FILLED WITH PRIDE.

SOME WERE FILLED WITH HOPE.

SOME WERE FILLED WITH RAGE.

BUT ALL OF THEM SCREAMED.

...WHAT SCREAM WILL FILL HUMANITY'S HEARTS?

NOW, IF WALL MARIA IS TAKEN BACK...

...THAT THERE IS A PLACE FOR THEM IN THIS WORLD?

CAN THEY EVER BELIEVE AGAIN...

...THAT THEY CONTROL THEIR OWN DESTINIES?

CAN THEY EVER BE MADE TO BELIEVE...

IF THESE SOL-DIERS...

...CAN RETAKE WALL MARIA...

KEEP THE LIGHT ON YOUR FEET!

HEY!

S...SORRY.

WHOA...!

ZZZSHT

IF WE CAN GET PAST THIS MOUNTAIN, WE'LL BE CLOSE TO SHIGANSHINA.

ARE WE STILL NOT TO THE FOOT OF THIS THING? IT'S ALMOST DAWN.

YOU SHOULDN'T BE USING YOUR ENERGY HERE.

YEAH, I KNOW.

SORRY YOU'VE GOT TO HANDLE MY HORSE...

GSST

OH YEAH! ...SORRY.

YOU HAVE TO ASSUME THAT THERE'S AN ENEMY RIGHT AROUND EVERY CORNER--

DON'T USE HIS NAME, STUPID.

SHE'S RIGHT, EREN. YOU SHOULD REST.

GSST

EVERY-ONE HALT !!

ILL-UMI-NATE THE AREA!

BA-BAM

TITAN TO THE LEFT !!

!!

...IT'S OKAY.

HE'S DOZING AWAY.

THIS LITTLE ONE DOESN'T SEEM TO BE ONE OF THE NEWER TYPES THAT CAN MOVE AROUND AT NIGHT...

HEH HEH... TOO BAD. WE'LL LEAVE HIM BE.

PHEW ...

ZAKK

WE DIDN'T EVEN NOTICE IT UNTIL WE WERE SO CLOSE...

EXACTLY. NORMALLY, I WOULD ADVISE AGAINST MIDNIGHT STROLLS THROUGH THE FOREST...

...BUT THIS DARKNESS IS PROBABLY WHAT'S PROTECTING US.

ZAKK

WHEN CONNIE AND HISTORIA ENCOUNTERED A MOVING TITAN AT NIGHT, THE MOON WAS OUT.

AND MOONLIGHT IS JUST REFLECTED SUNLIGHT.

WHILE IT'S ONLY A HYPOTHESIS THAT THESE NEW TITANS USE THAT SMALL AMOUNT OF SUN AS ENERGY TO MOVE...

ZAKK

ZAKK

IT LOOKS LIKE IT WAS RIGHT TO WAIT FOR A NEW MOON.

HE COULD BE ONE OF THOSE MOONLIGHT TITANS, TOO.

ZAKK

I HOPE WE CAN CAPTURE ONE SOME-DAY...

ZAKK

WHAT'S SO SCARY?!

AM I SHAKING ...?! ...WHY ?!

THUMP

THUMP

THUMP

IF WE FAIL TO RETAKE WALL MARIA...

DAMMIT... WHAT'S WRONG WITH ME ALL OF A SUDDEN...? DON'T I KNOW WHAT'LL HAPPEN IF WE MESS UP HERE?!

DOES SOME PART OF ME ACTUALLY THINK THIS ISN'T OUR LAST CHANCE?!

...DON'T I KNOW HOW MANY PEOPLE ARE GOING TO LOSE HOPE?!

SOMEONE AS PATHETIC AS ME?

RATTLE

RATTLE

HOW'S SOMEONE LIKE ME... SUPPOSED TO SAVE ALL OF HUMANITY?

MAYBE I'M NOT CUT OUT FOR THIS AFTER ALL...

...EREN.

...

ZAKK

ZAKK

ZAKK

WHY ARE YOU SHAKING?

ARE YOU SCARED?

AH ...

HUH ?!

OF COURSE I'M NOT SCARED !

WHAT? NO WAY. YOUR HANDS WERE SHAKING.

THAT'S BECAUSE... I'M COLD.

MY HANDS ARE FREEZING RIGHT NOW.

REALLY ?

I HAVEN'T BEEN ABLE TO STOP SHAKING FOR A WHILE NOW.

SEE ?

TREMBLE

HAVE YOU EVER FELT SCARED OF THE TITANS, EREN?

PEOPLE ARE USUALLY TERRIFIED OF THEM.

EVEN ME... THE FIRST TIME I FACED OFF AGAINST A TITAN...

...I WAS FROZEN IN PLACE...

...WHEN YOU...

...AND THE OTHERS WERE BEING EATEN...

BUT...

THEN YOU CAME...

...AND PULLED ME OUT OF THAT TITAN'S MOUTH.

...WHY WERE YOU ABLE TO DO THAT?

ZZSH

ZZSH

...FOR MY SAKE.

YOU WERE NEVER SUPPOSED TO SACRI-FICE YOURSELF ...

IT REMINDED ME...OF THAT DAY.

HUH ?

THAT TIME YOU SHOWED ME THAT BOOK...

I...

THAT WAS THE VERY FIRST TIME...

I'D ONLY SPENT MY DAYS LOOKING AT THE CLOUDS IN THE SKY.

I HAD NEVER THOUGHT ABOUT WHAT WAS BEYOND THE WALLS UNTIL THEN...

BUT THEN YOU CAME RUNNING TO ME WITH A BOOK.

NOT THAT IT'S ANYTHING STRANGE FOR A KID EIGHT OR NINE YEARS OLD TO NOT BE THINKING ABOUT ANYTHING...

THAT'S ALL WE WERE BACK THEN.

BOTH OF US WERE OUTCASTS. WE NEVER GOT ALONG WITH THE OTHER KIDS IN TOWN.

BUT IT ALL CHANGED...

...WHEN I HEARD YOU TELLING ME THOSE THINGS...

...AND I SAW THE LOOK IN YOUR EYES...

MY EYES?

YEAH.

YOU LOOKED LIKE YOU WERE HAVING AN AMAZING DREAM.

...A DREAM I COULDN'T SEE.

THAT'S WHEN I KNEW FOR THE FIRST TIME.

I WASN'T FREE.

AND WHEN I REALIZED THAT...

AND THAT THOSE FREAKISH THINGS HAD TAKEN MY FREEDOM. THE WORLD WAS SO BIG, BUT THEY'D FORCED ME INTO A TINY CAGE.

I REALIZED THAT I HAD BEEN LIVING IN A BIRDCAGE ALL THAT TIME.

...I KNEW I COULD NEVER FORGIVE THEM.

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I DUNNO WHY, BUT...

WHEN I THINK ABOUT GETTING THAT FREEDOM BACK...

!

...I CAN FEEL IT.

...THE STRENGTH WELLING UP INSIDE OF ME.

THANK YOU, ARMIN.

I'M ALL RIGHT NOW.

... YEAH.

THIS TIME NEXT YEAR, I BET WE'LL BE LOOKING AT THE SEA.

I RE-MEM-BER IT.

THIS AREA ...

...!

I USED TO COME HERE BEFORE TO GATHER FIREWOOD...

I CAN SEE THE OLD TRAIL !!

WE'VE SPOTTED THE FOOT OF THE MOUNTAIN!

WE'RE... ALMOST THERE.

TH-THUMP TH-THUMP

I CAN HEAR THE SOUND OF THE RIVER !!

WE'RE ...

TH-THUMP TH-THUMP

BACK HERE...

FOR THE FIRST TIME...

...SINCE WE RAN AWAY THAT DAY.

BACK TO OUR HOME TOWN...

...BE CAREFUL OF HIDING TITANS !!

THE SUN IS START-ING TO RISE !!

ALL TROOPS SWITCH TO VERTI-CAL MANEU-VERING !!

CLOP CL-CLOP CL-CLOP CLOP CLOP CLOP CLOP CLOP CLOP CLOP

BEGIN THE OPERATION !!

BA-
BAM

SWOOSH

FSHHH

FSHHHHHH

SWOOSH

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SWOOSH

SWOOSH

SWOOSH

SSSSHHHH

WE DON'T KNOW WHETHER THEY'RE AWARE THAT HE NOW HAS THE ABILITY TO RESEAL THE WALL...

THE ENEMY'S GOAL IS TO CAPTURE EREN.

THEY'VE LIKELY ALSO FIGURED OUT THAT WE'LL TRY TO REPAIR THE OUTER GATE...

BUT IF THEY KNOW WE'RE HERE, THEY PROBABLY ASSUME WE HAVE SOME WAY TO SEAL IT.

THEY'LL GUESS THAT EREN WILL BE AT THE OUTER GATE WHEN IT'S SEALED.

BUT THEY HAVEN'T GUESSED...

...IS ALREADY KNOWN TO OUR ENEMIES.

AFTER ALL, THE IMPORTANCE OF THAT BASEMENT IN SHIGANSHINA...

...HEADING FOR THE OUTER GATE AT THE SAME TIME.

...THAT WE'LL HAVE A HUNDRED SOLDIERS HIDING THEIR FACES WITH HOODS...

BY THE TIME THEY KNOW WHICH ONE OF US IS EREN...

...THE GATE WILL ALREADY BE SEALED.

WSHH

THUK

WHOOOOOSH

AH!!

GET TO THE OUTER GATE!!

DON'T STOP !!

...

WHOOSH

YES, SIR!!

?!

WHAT THE...?

THEY MUST HAVE RUSHED DOWN THE WALL!!

ASHES FROM A CAMP-FIRE?!

?!

THEY'RE HERE... CLOSE BY...

COM-MAND ER!!

...AND REINER...

BERTOLT...

TH-THUMP

TH-THUMP

SCRRRRR

...WAS RIGHT AROUND HERE.

MY HOME...

...WE LEFT EVERYTHING BEHIND.

THE PLACE WHERE...

GRIP

BUT THAT'S FINE.

I'LL GET IT BACK.

WHOOOOOOOOOSH

HOW ...?!

THERE ISN'T A SINGLE TITAN IN THE AREA!

I CAN DO IT.

...SOME-THING IS DEFINITELY STRANGE.

THAT'S NOT THE HALF OF IT. WE HAVEN'T EVEN SEEN ONE YET.

...WE HAVE TO PRESS ON.

KA-CHAK

BUT ...

WE'VE FALLEN RIGHT INTO THE ENEMY'S HANDS.

THE OPERATION WILL CONTINUE AS PLANNED.

PSHH

I CAN DO IT.

...NO.

...CAN DO IT.

WE...

BECAUSE...

...FROM THE DAY WE WERE BORN...

...THERE WAS SOME-THING SPECIAL ABOUT ALL OF US...

WHOOSH

WE'RE FREE.

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ATTACK
ON TITAN

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Episode 74: Mission Objectives

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BR RIP

GRAB

WHOOSH

SHAFT

ANY ENEMIES ?!

NONE VISIBLE !

KEEP YOUR EYES OPEN!

WHAT ABOUT THE HOLE?!

CHAK

IT'S SEALED TIGHT!!

IT WORKED !!

WE DID IT...

!

SIGH

BUT IT DID TAKE MY CLOAK WITH IT.

IT'S FINE.

WHAT ABOUT YOUR MANEUVERING EQUIPMENT?!

I'M FINE. WE CAN KEEP GOING, JUST LIKE WE PRACTICED!

YOU OKAY?!

THANKS.

KEEP YOUR FACES HIDDEN SO YOU'RE NOT ATTACKED AS YOU MOVE!

THEN WE'RE HEADING TO THE INNER GATE!!

DASH

TAP TAP

...

TAP TAP

YOU CAN TRUST YOUR-SELF.

THAT EASILY ?

YOU DID.

DID I REALLY CLOSE THE HOLE?

!

TAP TAP

NOT YET.

AS LONG AS THEY ARE ALIVE, THEY'LL KEEP BREAKING THROUGH THAT WALL.

TAP TAP

UN-DER-STAND THAT ?

THE HOLE FROM THAT DAY...

THE PLAN TO RETAKE WALL MARIA ISN'T OVER.

UNTIL WE KILL ALL OF OUR ENEMIES, INCLUDING REINER AND BERTOLT...

I KNOW THAT.

OF COURSE ...

...

ARE THEY AFRAID OF OUR NUMBERS ?

WHOOOOOOOSH

THEY'RE NOT ATTACK-ING...

I FOUND A FULL SET OF CAMPING EQUIPMENT SCATTERED ON THE GROUND.

I HAVE A REPORT!

WHOOMP

THE POT HAD GONE COLD.

BUT THERE WERE CUPS LEFT BEHIND WITH TRACES OF THE BLACK LIQUID FROM INSIDE THE POT...

WHAT IS THIS DRINK?

SMELLS GOOD...

THEY SEEMED TO BE DRINKING SOMETHING THAT RESEMBLED TEA.

IT SEEMS THERE WERE MORE THAN TWO PEOPLE ON TOP OF THE WALL.

AND THERE WERE AT LEAST THREE.

YES.

WAS IT AN IRON POT THAT HAD GONE COLD?

THERE WERE THREE ?!

THE POT ?!

?!

HUH ...?

THAT'S ODD...

WE MADE FULL USE OF OUR HORSES AND OUR VERTICAL MANEUVERING EQUIPMENT TO ARRIVE HERE AT TOP SPEED.

THERE'S NO WAY A FRESHLY-USED POT WOULD HAVE COOLED OFF IN JUST TWO MINUTES.

THEY SHOULD HAVE HAD TWO MINUTES AT MOST BETWEEN THE TIME THEY FIRST HEARD OR SAW US AND WHEN WE ARRIVED.

...WHICH MEANS THEY HAD PLENTY OF TIME TO PREPARE FOR US.

OUR ENEMIES SOMEHOW KNEW THAT WE WERE APPROACHING AT LEAST FIVE MINUTES IN ADVANCE...

WE'LL MAKE LOCATING ENEMIES OUR TOP PRIORITY.

THUMP

S-SO WE SHOULD ASSUME THEY HAD SCOUTS... NO, THAT THERE ARE EVEN MORE ENEMIES LYING IN WAIT...?

NOW WE NEED YOUR ABILITIES MORE THAN EVER.

YOUR MIND HAS SAVED US FROM DIRE STRAITS TIME AND TIME AGAIN.

ARLERT.

DASH

AND SEARCH THE AREA AROUND THE INNER GATE FOR ENEMIES.

HUH ?

TAKE AS MANY MEN AS YOU NEED...

...!!

CONTINUE YOUR SEARCH UNDER THE COMMAND OF ARMIN ARLERT.

NOTHING UNUSUAL DISCOV-ERED IN THE AREA!

WHAT ARE YOUR ORDERS, ARLERT ?!

WE SEARCHED EVERY NOOK AND CRANNY OF THAT WALL!!

YES, SIR!

...

...

IF YOU FIND ANYTHING, REPORT BY ACOUSTIC SHELL...

SPLIT INTO TWO GROUPS TO SEARCH THE BUILDINGS AROUND THE INNER GATE, BOTH OUTSIDE AND INSIDE THE DISTRICT.

...

YES, SIR!!

BAM

...

PLEASE ...?

P...

HE IS ONE OF OUR GREAT-EST WEAP-ONS.

ARMIN'S A SURE THING.

NO.

... ANOTHER BIG GAM-BLE.

DASH

WHAT DO WE DO?

DO WE PUT THE OPERATION ON HOLD UNTIL WE FIND OUR ENEMIES?

EREN'S TEAM IS AP-PROACH-ING.

WE CONTINUE.

WE'RE UNLIKELY TO WIN A DRAWN-OUT ENCOUN-TER.

OUR ONLY OPTION IS TO FIGHT A QUICK AND DECISIVE BATTLE.

WE CAN'T STAY LONG HERE IN ENEMY TERRITORY.

...THEN FOR NOW WE WILL JUST HAVE TO PLAY ALONG WITH IT.

AND IF THAT'S ALL PART OF OUR ENEMIES' PLAN...

...THEY'RE NOT THE ONLY ONES HIDING SOME-THING...

OF COURSE ...

WHOOSH

WHOOSH

ROOAAR

BUT WE STILL DON'T KNOW WHERE OUR ENEMIES COULD BE...

EREN'S TEAM IS ABOUT TO GET TO THE INNER GATE.

...WHAT SHOULD I DO?

...WAITING FOR EREN TO EXHAUST HIMSELF AFTER USING HIS TITAN POWERS TO HARDEN HIS BODY?

COULD THEY REALLY BE...

WHY WON'T THEY APPEAR, EVEN WHEN WE'RE SEALING THE HOLES?

IF THAT WERE TRUE, THEY WOULD BE HIDING NEARBY SO THAT THEY COULD ATTACK HIM IMMEDIATELY.

...BUT WE CAN'T FIND THEM, EVEN AFTER ALL THE SEARCHING WE'VE DONE.

WHAT SHOULD WE DO...?

THIS IS BAD...

IT'LL ALL BE OVER. EVERYTHING.

IF THIS FAILS...IT REALLY IS THE END.

THE MORE TIME WE GIVE THEM, THE WORSE OUR POSITION GETS...

THE COMMANDER WON'T STOP THE OPERATION.

EVEN IF WE END UP GIVING OUR ENEMY THE PERFECT OPENING, OUR ONLY OPTION WILL BE TO MEET THEM AND STRIKE BACK.

BECAUSE WE KNOW SO LITTLE...

...ABOUT THE TITANS.

WE'RE ALWAYS AT A DISADVANTAGE...

I DON'T KNOW...THEY ALWAYS ATTACK US IN WAYS WE COULD NEVER IMAGINE, USING WHAT SEEM LIKE IMPOSSIBLE TACTICS.

WE'RE ALWAYS...

?!

PA-

KRAK

EVERY-ONE SEARCH THE WALL!

NOT YET !!

WHERE ARE THE ENEM-IES ?!

WHOOSH

WHOOSH

DID YOU FIND THEM ?

ARLERT!

WHOOSH

WHOOSH

THEY'RE **INSIDE THE WALL** !!

THERE'S NOWHERE FOR THEM TO HID--

WE TOLD YOU WE ALREADY DID!!

...

IT'S A HUNCH.

...

HOW DO YOU KNOW THAT?!

YES! THERE MUST BE A SPACE INSIDE IT WHERE HUMANS CAN STAY FOR AN EXTENDED PERIOD OF TIME.

INSIDE THE WALL ?!

THEY'VE ALWAYS USED THEIR TITAN POWERS IN THE MOST IMPROBABLE WAYS TO GAIN AN ADVANTAGE ON US!

B-BUT, OUR ENE-MIES !!

WE DON'T HAVE THE TIME TO—

GRAB

DO YOU HAVE ANY IDEA WHAT KIND OF SITUATION WE'RE IN RIGHT NOW?!

WE'LL NEVER BE ABLE TO GAIN THE UPPER HAND ON THEM!!

IF WE LET OURSELVES BE CONSTRAINED BY REGULAR COMMON SENSE...

?!

WOOSH

IS THAT THE SIGNAL TO HALT THE OPERATION?!

WHOOOOSH

EVERYONE, SPREAD OUT ON TOP OF THE WALL AND WAIT FOR FURTHER ORDERS!!

ALL RIGHT !!

THERE ARE TIMES TO BE RIGID AND TIMES TO BE FLEXIBLE.

FOLLOW THE PRINCIPLES YOU'VE LEARNED AS SOLDIERS AS YOU GIVE EVERYTHING YOU HAVE TO THE MISSION.

OBSERVE THE CHAIN OF COMMAND.

WE'RE HERE TO WIN.

BEGIN CHECKING EVERY-THING CAREFULLY FROM THE TOP OF THE GATE UP...!!

SPLIT INTO TWO GROUPS AGAIN AND SEARCH THE SURFACE OF THE WALL!!

YES, SIR!!

KLAM

WHOOOOOOOSH

KLANK

WAIT ...

YEAH. WHAT WAS THE POINT OF THAT QUICK CHARGE ...?

SHOULD WE REALLY BE STOPPING HERE ...?

WHAT ARE THEY DOING ?

KLANK

DID YOU REALIZE SOME-THING AGAIN ...?

ARMIN...

A POSITION WHERE THEY CAN KEEP A CONSTANT EYE ON THE SITUATION...

A POSITION WHERE THEY CAN ALWAYS RESPOND TO EREN COMING TO SEAL THE WALL.

KLANK

KLANK

KLANK

IF A BLIND SPOT LIKE THAT EXISTS...

KLANK

KLANK

KLANK

...WE'D NEVER SUSPECT THEY'RE INSIDE...

THEY MIGHT THINK THAT...

KLANK

KLANK

AND IF THEY DON'T KNOW...

...THAT WE KNOW ABOUT THE TITANS INSIDE THE WALLS...!

KLONK

OR—

KLANK

KLONK

KLONK

THERE'S A HOLLOW SPOT HERE!!

PA-KRAK

HERE!!

AH!

GA-GAWK

THUP

REINER!!

AGH!!

SHIT.

SHING
KSOOHM

BOOM

HEAD

DAMMIT !!

CAP-TAIN ?!

BOOM

WHOOSH

I WAS SO CLOSE ...

IS THAT ANOTHER ONE OF HIS TITAN POWERS ?!

TWITCH

BUT I COULDN'T END HIS LIFE.

FLASH

CAPTURE ANY OTHER ENEMIES AND—

CHECK ALL AROUND US!!

BOOM BOOM BOOM BOOM BOOM BOOM BOOM BOOM BOOM

WHOOMP

TAKE COVERRRR

INCOMING!!

BOOOOM

WH... WHAT'S HAP-PEN-ING?!

ROOAAR

HUNH ?!

IT HAS GOOD AIM.

NO.

A MISS ...?

...

NOW OUR HORSES CAN'T PASS THROUGH.

IT BLOCKED OUR ENTRANCE.

THEY'RE PLANNING TO WIPE US OUT HERE BY CUTTING OFF OUR ESCAPE ROUTE.

... THEN SUR-ROUND US.

TAKE OUR HORSES AWAY...

LET'S PUT AN END TO THIS HERE.

WE'RE BOTH GETTING THE BATTLE WE'VE BEEN HOPING FOR.

HUMANITY...

...OR THOSE DAMNED TITANS.

ONE OF US WILL SURVIVE...

...AND THE OTHER WILL DIE.

...HUH?

SO IN EXCHANGE, TAKE CARE OF ME HERE IN YOUR HOME.

I'LL EAT UP EVERY ONE OF THOSE HUMANS THAT BULLY YOU.

WHA...?

NO MATTER HOW STRONG ANY FRIENDSHIP IS, IF WE'RE GOING TO LIVE TOGETHER, IT'S IMPORTANT TO CLARIFY WHAT STAKE EACH SIDE HAS IN THE RELATIONSHIP AS IT MOVES FORWARD.

THEIR FRIENDSHIP...

YOU'RE NOT GOING TO LET ME DOWN, RIGHT?

GRAB

AAAAGH!!

WE'RE GOING TO BE TOGETHER FOREVER, ARMIN.

...WILL LAST A LIFETIME.

*Real preview is on the following page!

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AAAAAAAAAGH!!

ONE DAY, A SULLEN BOY...

HEYA, ARMIN!

...FINDS A CUTE LITTLE FRIEND IN HIS HOME!

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TAKE BACK WHAT WAS ONCE HELD IN ORDER TO MOVE FORWARD. USE YOUR NEW WEAPONS TO ANNIHILATE YOUR ENEMIES.